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EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed. With the exception of egregious errors, content (including spelling, grammar, and punctuation) of these orders has been reproduced as submitted.

* ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS WEEK *

[M12-122]

WHEREAS, the skills, loyalty and efficiency of administrative professionals provide an essential component to the smooth functioning of businesses, government, educational institutions, and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, administrative professionals are continuously advancing the profession by meeting the challenges of a constantly changing workplace which requires excellent communication skills, the highest understanding of technology, a keen awareness of exceptional customer service, and the ability to anticipate and meet the needs of their respective organizations; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Professionals Week is observed annually in workplaces around the world to recognize the important and valuable contributions of administrative support staff and is sponsored by the International Association of Administrative Professionals; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Administrative Professionals Week 2012 is "Admins, the pulse of the office" reflecting how the job of an administrative professional has changed dramatically thanks to new tools, techniques and seismic shifts in the economy and culture itself, but administrative professionals have remained the steady center of efficiency through it all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 22 – 28, 2012 as

* ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-ninth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH *

[M12-124]

WHEREAS, up to 2 million Americans are estimated to be living with limb loss or limb difference, and over 500 people in the United States lose a limb each day; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1,000 babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference; and

WHEREAS, diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss and studies show around 75 percent of limb loss is preventable; and

WHEREAS, the number of amputations per day could double by 2050, unless a major public awareness campaign is launched and key prevention initiatives put in place; and

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WHEREAS, the Amputee Coalition of America provides education, outreach, advocacy, and a National Limb Loss Information Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss/difference, their families, and health care providers; and

WHEREAS, April will be an appropriate month to designate as National Limb Loss Awareness Month as spring is a time of renewal and inspiration.

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 2012 as

* LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH *

and encourage all Arizona citizens to join in recognizing the importance of this month and celebrating people with limb loss and limb difference living full and productive lives, expressing gratitude to caregivers who are a source of support and motivation, and saluting combat amputees who have lost their limbs while serving this country.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-ninth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST *

[M12-137]

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

WHEREAS, six million Jews were murdered, and millions more, who were targeted for racial, ethnic or national reasons, also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny; and

WHEREAS, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments; and

WHEREAS, we the people of the State of Arizona should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Arizona should actively rededicate themselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the State of Arizona to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 15 – 22, 2012 as

* DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

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ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK *

[M12-138]

WHEREAS, the safety and well being of children is a priority of this State; and

WHEREAS, more than 200,000 children are injured on playgrounds in the United States each year, averaging one playground related emergency room visit every two-and-one-half minutes; and

WHEREAS, the National Program for Playground Safety was created at the University of Northern Iowa to help inform the nation about playground injuries and possible ways to reduce playground related injuries; and

WHEREAS, the National Program for Playground Safety has identified key areas that could help substantially reduce the number of playground injuries and keep our children SAFE by providing proper Supervision, Age appropriate equipment, materials to soften Falls to the surface, and Equipment maintenance; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to set aside a week each year for the direction and thought on how to keep our children safer on playgrounds and spring is often a time that children play outdoors and in playgrounds resulting in a large percentage of injuries occurring from April through June; and

WHEREAS, child care centers, schools, parks, and other public facilities are preparing for summer season and playground participants, and it is important for the public to make the commitment of ensuring the safety of children at playgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 23 – 27, 2012 as

* PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* POWERTALK 21 DAY *

[M12-139]

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona recognizes the importance of parents talking with their teens about alcohol; and

WHEREAS, high school students who use alcohol or other substances are five times more likely to believe good grades are not important or they drop out of school; and

WHEREAS, teen alcohol use kills about 6,000 people each year, more than all other legal drugs combined; and

WHEREAS, the majority of kids say their parents are their primary influence when it comes to decisions about drinking alcohol; and

WHEREAS, PowerTalk 21 Day, started by Mothers Against Drunk Driving in 2011, was established to encourage parents and caregivers to embrace their important role in influencing America's youth and their decisions about drinking alcohol.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 21, 2012 as

* POWERTALK 21 DAY *

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and urge Arizona citizens to join in the local efforts to raise awareness of the importance of parents and teens talking together about alcohol in order to reduce the risks and dangers posed to teens and communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this third day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2011-05

State Regulatory Rule Making Review and Moratorium To Promote Job Creation and Retention

Editor's Note: This Executive Order is being reproduced in each issue of the Administrative Register until its expiration on June 30, 2012 as a notice to the public regarding state agencies' rulemaking activities.

[M11-234]

WHEREAS, my first official action as Governor was to institute a regulatory rule making review and moratorium process ("regulatory review and moratorium") in order to prevent additional and unnecessary burdens on our private sector employers and political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, other states have since implemented regulatory reviews and moratoriums; and

WHEREAS, the economic climate in Arizona continues to challenge both those seeking employment and our employers, who are the key to increasing job opportunities in this State; and

WHEREAS, a predictable regulatory climate in this State will promote job creation and retention; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature enacted the regulatory review and moratorium for fiscal year 2009 - 2010 by passing House Bill 2008 in the 2009 Third Special Session; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature continued the regulatory review and moratorium for fiscal year 2010 - 2011 by passing House Bill 2260 in the 2010 Second Regular Session; and

WHEREAS, the current regulatory review and moratorium expires on June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the expiration of the current regulatory review and moratorium could result in a regulatory explosion detrimental to job creation and retention in this State; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby declare that for fiscal year 2011-2012 ending June 30, 2012, the following:

- 1. A state agency, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall not conduct any rule making except as permitted by this Order. The objective of this Order is eliminate any unnecessary increased monetary or regulatory costs on employers, persons, individuals, other state agencies, or political subdivisions of this State. This prohibition includes any informal rule making prior to the commencement of the formal rule making process.
- 2. Paragraph 1 does not apply to state agency rule making for any one or more of the following reasons:
 - a. To fulfill an objective related to job creation in this State.
 - b. To lessen or ease a regulatory burden while achieving the same regulatory objective.
 - c. To prevent a significant threat to the public health, peace or safety.
 - d. To avoid a violation of a court order or federal law that would result in sanctions by a court or federal government against an agency for failure to conduct the rule making action.
 - e. To comply with a federal statutory or regulatory requirement or a state statutory requirement if the applicable statute or regulation contains a date certain for compliance on or before December 31, 2012 or is necessary under subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph.
 - f. To fulfill an obligation related to fees or any other action necessary to implement the state budget that is certi-

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- fied by the Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting.
- g. To promulgate a rule or other item that is exempt from title 41, chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, pursuant to section 41-1005, Arizona Revised Statutes.
- h. To address matters pertaining to the control, mitigation or eradication of waste, fraud or abuse within a state agency or wasteful, fraudulent or abusive activities perpetrated against a state agency.
- 3. A state agency, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall not conduct any informal or formal rule making pursuant to Paragraph 2 or otherwise without the prior written approval of the Office of the Governor.
- 4. This Order applies to all state agencies, except for: (a) any state agency that is headed by a single elected state official, (b) the corporation commission, or (c) any state agency whose agency head is not appointed by the Governor.
- 5. All state officials and state agencies that are not subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4 are encouraged to participate voluntarily within the context of their own rule making processes.
- 6. State agencies may continue a rule making that was authorized by the Office of the Governor on or after January 22, 2009. All state agencies, subject to this Order pursuant to Paragraph 4, shall report to the Office of Governor by July 29, 2011 all pending rule makings and any pending requests to the Office of Governor for rule making.
- 7. This Order does not confer any legal rights upon any persons and shall not be used as a basis for legal challenges to rules, approvals, permits, licenses or other actions or to any inaction of a state agency.
- 8. For the purposes of this executive order, "person", "rule" and "rule making" have the same meanings prescribed in section 41-1001, Arizona Revised Statutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona this 30th day of June in the year Two Thousand Eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State